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ODE TO A HOLLOW TOOTH. Oh, my double-grinders: Shame it is to view Of front-teeth reminders, But no ode to you! Welcome, grinders double In our backmost jaw. Source of pain and trouble. Anguish, rage, and awe! Tired we are of chewing Free from any ache What the cook's been stewing-Pudding, jelly, cake; Swell our flushing faces, Screw our nerves up, pray! Till we're left no traces Of our yesterday: All our features smother-Lump them into one, Till a fellow's mother Wouldn't know her son Fill our days with anguish-

Fill our nights with grief; Till our senses languish Sighing for relief. Through each nerve and sinew Shoot the frequent pang, Till the power that's in you Fervently we dang!

Hark! the bell for dinner! Bless we fondly it; Since, as I'm a sinner, We can't touch a bit. Gleam, ye toosey-pooseys. Coral lips below ! What of you the use is? I can't eat, you know ! Gleam, ye toosey-pooseys,

While I sit aghast.

Muttering abuses

Of the vain repast. RULES FOR YOUNG TRADESMEN. 1. Never be idle. If you have nothing to do. go through your books and turn the oughts, in your debtors' accounts, into sixes and nines. You may thus make a wet day as profitable as a fine one. If you only add a halfpenny to each

2. If your customer be solvent, never make up the so-called weekly book until you are compelled to do so. Remember, the older a bill, the more difficult it is to detect an over-charge.

of twenty-four accounts, you have done some-

3. You must have bad debts. It is due to your family that you should not incur losses. Therefore, judiciously distribute the amount you expect to lose over the bills of those who pay, but take long credit. Society is bound to be selfsupporting.

4. Stand well with all the servants in the families of your customers. Those persons have much in their power. They will, if you secure their good-will, even risk the anger of their employers by fetching things from your shop instead of that to which they were sent. Money is best, but presents from your stock are always welcome, and you can often set them down in the bills.

on easier terms, you should take every opportunity of saying, with a compassionate expression, to other customers, that you are very sorry to believe that there were good reasons for Mr. Z-'s going to a cheaper market, and that you earnestly hope he is not in much difficulty. 6. Some housekeepers preserve receipts. It

is not often safe to make a second demand for a paid bill; but we cannot be too thoughtful, and it is well to ascertain from servants what are the habits of their employers in this respect. 7. Always be civil, even to excess. If you

observe these rules, you will soon ride when most of your late customers are walking, and then'you can splash them, and have your revenge. But meantime be humility itself, except to your shopmen. No faculty should be lost for want of exercise; and in your behavior to them you can practise your dignity. 8. If the females of your family are fond of

dress, keep them out of the sight of your female customers. Especially do so, if your family dresses gracefully, and looks well. A profitable account has been often closed because a tradesman's pretty wife was seen to advantage in the same bonnet as that of an ugly customer.

Do not hang these Rules up in your shop, but paste them inside your desk, and read them every Sunday morning, before going into your accounts.

NONSENSE.

If you should an Oxide wed To a Cyanide, instead Of the Citrate it admires. Valuare all abnormal fires For the heart that's set upon That Moncotyledon Cannot readily revolt

In a Blastodermic moult! No! Bacteria first shall quail, And e'en methyltoluol fail, Lamellation shall hold sway Till pseudopodians melt away. So until then let Oxide's bride Be the blushing Cyanide: And Hypsilophodon be dumb

As the pale Chrysanthemum. To Editors and Commentators. It is generally supposed that there is no mention of tobacco in Shakespeare. But can any one doubt to what he is referring when he says (in one of his sonnets):-

"And keep invention in a noted wead?" Surely he must mean improvements in the manufacture of cigars.

A Likely Story, Indeed! Brown came home with a black eye. To his wife's inquiries he replied that, having asked himself a question, he received such a saucy answer that he had been obliged to resent it. His wife did not believe him, and got a new dress that week.

Ab, Why?
It is stated, that Miss Bateman is now part owner of a flourishing silk mill in New Jersey. If she had come into the property ere-Leah she might she might never have appeared on the stage. Ah, why didn't she?

THE GOOD TIMES LONG AGO. Lovers of old were, so I am told, Far better off than we:

If the lady were coy they force would employ And carry away of she, And wed her off-hand-Yes, wed her off-hand-Whether she would or no:

But that was in (you understand) The Good Times Long Ago. Debtors of yore no duns could bore

As duns bore you and me-They discharged their notes by cutting their

Instead of by Bankruptele-They scattered their brains-Yes, scattered their brains-Whether they would or no: But that was in (as a friend explains) The Good Times Long Ago.

Masters as well, as I have heard tell, Had servants worth more than ours. If they wouldn't obey they sent them away To hang from the topmost towers.

They throttled the knave-Yes, throttled the knave-Whether he would or no: But that was in (remember, I crave,)

The Good Times Long Ago. So, truly, if we had chanced to be Lover, or debtor, or master, Why, of course, 'twould exactly have suited we By a deal, than this present, vaster!

But had we been Poor fellows mean-Whether we would or no, We should not quite Have felt delight In the Good Times Long Ago!

PERSONAL. After the Style of the Sensation Papers. Colonel Dodge wanted to turn Fenian. But they said he did not look dirty enough. That was cruel, considering the pains he takes not to wash his face.

Senator Jones has got a new set of false teeth. They don't fit. Mrs. Winkles, Fifth avenue, has her knocker

tied up. Welcome, little stranger! But the white glove might be whiter, Winkles? Bob Bagster's new poem will be bad. Well, praise to him for not surprising anybody; surprises are vulgar. But so's Bob.

Elegant Lorimer Briggs has made tracks. Glad he can make anything. Didn't think it in

Roomy Toutle shouldn't go to the theatre without a pocket handkerchief. They are cheap enough at friend Shoddy's, in Broadway, who is a good fellow and a refined-minded gentleman. Another new piece by Vamp announced. Where are the French detectives?

Peter Wilkinson overdrew his account last week. But we hear that his grandmother has squared things. Good old lady. Wish she were our grandmother.

Pretty Mrs. Chikabiddy refused to be comforted for beautiful Mrs. Chollychowcow's diamonds. Wipe your eyes, dear, they are falsethe diamonds we mean. Billy Clatworthy pled nobly in the lobster case

on Saturday, but what's the use of whistling jigs to a milestone? Yes, you, Judge Bilk. We saw the note, Miss Jemima P ..... You

dropped the ball-eard very neatly, and he picked it up very gallantly, but we saw. Don't blush. He would be a very nice young man, if he were not so old. Jefferson Brick wanted \$5000 for his novel. This was to make up for his disappointment be-

cause the last didn't sell. However, Sharp and Koe didn't see it. We hear his wife wrote part of it-the love business. Not from her own experiences, we should say. President Grant uses cold cream after shaving. He will not eat hard boiled eggs. He is right as

5. If a customer leaves you for one who deals | to the first, wrong as to the second. But this is a free country, and men may do as they like. The Signora Sallibetti blew up considerable behind the scenes last night. Four carpenters fainted at her language. Sam Davis didn't, but then he was raised in Indiana, where they talk

> The Plighted Onc. You ask me if I love you, And I cannot answer "Yes!" Tho' there's none I hold above you,

And my heart's in sore distress. There are words one cannot utter, And a "yes" Is one of those : Yet it is not that I stutter,

Or speak slightly through the nose. I can yow that I adore you, With my truest, fondest breath: But the lisp you've heard before, you Will allow, can say but "Yeth!"

So He Does. The wretch who can stand in a pair of slippers worked for him by his wife, and scold her, is a brute, who deserves to have the gout in both

Very Vulgar Sell. "You ought not to come to our dance in boots with nails in 'em.' "I haven's."

"Then you've had your toes cut off."

The ingenuity of our great agricultural implement makers is extraordinary. One of them has lately invented a machine for sowing wild oats, which is expected to have an immense sale. "Not for Josephus!" as that worthy historian observed playfully, when some funny Jews attempted to cram him with stories for his own

To Free Traders. Never attempt to run a cargo in dirty weather.

Wait till the coast is clear. Medieval Painting on Vellum. Julia, aged 50, rouged.

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No. 5. Extra letter size (ungummed on nap, circulars), 3% by 6% inches, of same colors as 2, and under a like condition as to the proportion cach.

No. 6. Extra letter size, 3% by 6% inches, of san colors as No. 2, and under a like condition as to tr Proportion of each.

No. 7. Official size, 3% by 8% inches, of sazz colors as No. 2, and under a like condition as to the

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No. 8. Extra official size, 4% by 9% inches, 6 same colors as No. 2, and under a like condition a to the proportion of each.

NEWSPAPER WHAPPERS,

6% by 9% inches, of buff or manilla paper.

All the above envelopes and wrappers to be embossed with postage stamps of such denomination styles, and colors, and to bear such printing on the face, and to be made in the most thorough manner of paper of approved quality, manufactured specials for the purpose, with such water marks or other devices to prevent imitation as the Postmaster-General may direct.

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The envelopes to be thoroughly and perfectl gummed, the gumming on the flap of cach (exceptor circulars) to be put on not less than half an incing which the entire length. The wrappers to be gummed not less than three-fourths of an inch by width across the end.

All envelopes and wrappers must be banded it parcels of twenty-five, and packed in strong pasteboard or straw boxes, each to contain not less than two hundred and fifty of the letter or extra letter size, and one hundred each of the official or extra official size, separately. The news, paper wrappers to be packed in boxes to contain not less than two hundred and fifty each. The boxes are to be wrapped and sealed, or securely fastened in strong manifla paper, so as to safely bear transportation by mail for delivery to postmasters. When two thousand or more envelopes are required to fill the order of a postmaster the straw or pasteboard boxes containing the same must be packed in strong wooden cases, well strapped with hoop-iron, and addressed but when less than two thousand are required, proper labels of direction, to be furnished by an agent of the Department, must be placed upon each package by the contractor. Wooden cases, containing envelopes or wrappers to be transported by water routes, must be provided with suitable water-proofing. The whole to be done under the Inspection and direction of an agent of the Department.

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The envelopes and wrappers must be furnished and delivered with all reasonable despatch, complete in all respects, ready for use, and in such quantities as may be required to fill the daily orders of postmasters; the deliveries to be made either at the Post Office Department, Washington, D. U., or at the office of an agent duly authorized to inspect and receive the same; the place of delivery to be at the option of the Postmaster-General, and the cost of delivering as well as all expense of packing, addressing, labeling, and water-proofing, to be paid by the contractor.

Bidders are notified that the Department will require, as a condition of the contract, that the envelopes and wrappers shall be manufactured and, stored in such manner as to ensure security against loss by fire or theft. The manufactory must at all times be subject to the inspection of an agent of the Department, who will require the stipulations of the contract to be faithfully observed.

The dies for embossing the postage stamps on the envelopes and wrappers are to be executed to the satisfaction of the Postmaster-General, in the best style, and they are to be provided, renewed, and kept in order at the expense of the contractor. The department reserves the right of requiring new dies for any stamps, or denominations of stamps not now used, and any changes of dies or colors shall be made without extra charge.

Specimens of the stamped envelopes and wrappers now in use may be seen at any of the principal post offices, but these specimens are not to be regarded as the style and quality fixed by the department as a standard for the new contract; bidders are therefore invited to submit samples of other and different qualities and styles, including the paper proposed as well as the manufactured envelopes, wrappers, and boxes, and make their bids accordingly.

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if in his judgment the interests of the Government require it.

Before closing a contract the successful bidder may be required to prepare new dies, and submit impressions thereof. The USE OF THE PRESENT DIES MAY OR MAY NOT BE CONTINUED.

Bonds, with approved and sufficient sureties, in the sum of \$200,000, whi be required for the faithful performance of the contract, as required by the seventeenth section of the act of Congress, approved the Esth of August, 1842, and payments under said contract will be made quarterly, after proper adjustment of accounts.

The Postmaster-General reserves to himself the right to annul the contract whenever the same, or any part thereof, is offered for sale for the purpose of speculation; and under no circumstances will a transfer of the contract be allowed or sanctioned to any party who shall be, in the opinion of the Postmaster-General, less able to fulfill the conditions thereof than the original contractor. The right is also reserved to annul the contract for a failure to perform faithfully any of its stipulations.

The number of envelopes of different sizes, and of wrappers issued to Postmasters during the fiscal year ended June 36, 1869, was as follows, viz:—

No. 1. Note size—1,114,000.

No. 2. Ordinary letter size; (not heretofore used).

No. 3. Full letter size, (ungummed, for circulars)

No. 7. Official size—601,650. No. 8. Extra official size—1700.

In the aggregate there are about 330 Guns, 354 Car-riages, and 26,157 Projectiles. Schedules in detail of the articles at each yard will be furnished on appli-

the articles at each yard will be furnished on application to this Bureau.

Bidders will state the number of guns, carriages, implements, and projectiles they desire to purchase at each yard separately, specifying the calibre of gun, kind of carriage, whether broadside or pivot, and the kind of projectiles.

The guns, etc., will be delivered at the respective navy yards, and must be removed by the purchaser or purchasers within ten days after the acceptance of his or their bid. But no deliveries will be made of any article until the parties purchasing shall have deposited with the paymaster of the navy yard the full amount of the purchase money in each case.

Many of the guns are new, and all are service-able. Bidders will therefore offer accordingly. No offer for these articles as old iron or wood will be

STEVENSON, BRO., & CO.

OILS. No. 132 S. SECOND Street

The contract will be awarded to the bidder whose proposal, although it be not the lowest, is considered most advantageous to the Department, taking into account the prices, quality of the samples, workmanship, and the sufficiency and ability of the bidder to manufacture and deliver the envelopes and wrappers in accordance with the terms of this advertisement; and no proposal will be considered unless accompanied by a sufficient and satisfactory guarantee. The Postmaster-General also reserves the right to reject any and all bids, if in his judgment the interests of the Government require it.

No. 2. Ordinary letter size; (not heretofore used).

No. 3. Full letter size, (ungummed, for circulars)

-4,150,000.

No. 4. Full letter size—67,867,500.

No. 5. Extra letter size, (ungummed, for circulars)

-548,000.

No. 6. Extra letter size—4,204,500

No. 7. Official size—4,204,500

Wrappers 3,593,250.
Bits should be securely enveloped and scaled, barked "Proposals for Stamped Envelopes and Vrappers," and addressed to the Third Assistant Costmaster-General, Post Office Department, Wash-

JOHN A. J. CRESWELL, Postmaster General. 1 11 eodtM1 PROPOSALS FOR PURCHASE OF RIFLED

BUREAU OF ORDNANCE,

NAVY DEPARTMENT,

WASHINGTON CITY, January 4, 1870.

Scaled Proposals for the purchase of 30-pounder and 20-pounder Parrott Rifles, with Carriages, Implements, and Projectiles, now on hand in the Navy Yards at Portsmouth, N. H.; Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Washington, and Norfolk, will be received at this Bureau until 12 o'clock noon, January 31, 1870.

The Bureau reserves the right to reject any or all bids which it may not consider to the interest of the Government to accept.

Proposals should be endorsed on the envelope "Proposals for Purchase of Rifled Cannon, etc."

A. LUDLOW CASE,

1 8 watt Chief of Bureau.